Demonstration by Tibetans

†3917. SHRI SHREEGOPAL VYAS:
SHRI RUDRA NARAYAN PANY:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of places where Tibetans have held demonstration for freedom;

(b) the number of demonstrators arrested;

(c) whether the demonstrators were holding peaceful demonstrations;

(d) whether they have submitted memoranda; and

(e) the action being taken by Government on these memoranda?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) to (c) As per available information, Tibetan groups held protest demonstration/agitations in various parts of the country including Delhi and parts of Himachal Pradesh, Karnataka, Jammu and Kashmir, Arunachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Maharashtra, Goa, Tamil Nadu, UP, Gujarat, West Bengal, Assam, Meghalaya, Sikkim etc. Over 680 Tibetans were reportedly arrested in different places, mainly in Delhi and Himachal Pradesh. These demonstrations/agitations were by and large peaceful.

(d) and (e) some memoranda were submitted on different occasions. To the extent that they may concern the Government of India, action would be taken in the light of the policy pertaining to Tibetan Refugees in the country.

CAG report regarding hampering of modernisation of police force in A.P.

3918. SHRI JESUDASU SEELAM:
SHRI GIREESH KUMAR SANGHI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether, according to the Comptroller and Auditor General of India (CAG), the inept planning and inadequate procurement of sophisticated weapons are hampering the modernization of police force in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, whether modernization of weaponry has not been achieved and some police stations in Naxal-affected areas continue to depend on outdated weapons;

(c) if so, the main reasons for the delay in providing sophisticated weapons to meet the naxalite activities in Andhra Pradesh; and

(d) if so, the steps being taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) The Government of Andhra Pradesh has informed that audit of the Modernisation of Police funds for the period 2002-03 to 2006-07 was conducted from 22.02.2007 to 18.05.2007. A copy of the Report was received on 23.11.2007. Replies from various units have been sought, and Action taken report will be submitted to the Accountant General.

(b) to (d) The State Government has denied that weapons modernization has not been

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